

“(3) A mental health professional described in this subsection is a person who is—

“(A) a currently licensed or certified mental health care provider who holds an unrestricted license or certification that is—

“(i) issued by a State, the District of Columbia, or a territory or possession of the United States; and

“(ii) recognized by the Secretary of Defense;

“(B) a member of the uniformed services, a civilian employee of the Department of Defense, or a contractor designated by the Secretary; and

“(C) performing authorized duties for the Department of Defense under a program or activity referred to in paragraph (1).

“(4) In this subsection, the term ‘non-medical counseling services’ means mental health care services that are non-clinical, short-term, and solution-focused, and address topics related to personal growth, development, and positive functioning.”.

SA 3939. Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. LEE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3867 submitted by Mr. REED and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. INSPECTOR GENERAL ACCESS ACT OF 2021.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Inspector General Access Act of 2021”.

(b) **INVESTIGATIONS OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PERSONNEL.**—Section 8E of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and paragraph (3)”;

(B) by striking paragraph (3);

(C) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively; and

(D) in paragraph (4), as redesignated, by striking “paragraph (4)” and inserting “paragraph (3)”;

(2) in subsection (d), by striking “, except with respect to allegations described in subsection (b)(3).”.

SA 3940. Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3867 submitted by Mr. REED and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 1236 and insert the following:

SEC. 1236. SENSE OF SENATE ON CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR ESTONIA, LATVIA, AND LITHUANIA.

It is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) the security of the Baltic region is crucial to the security of the North Atlantic

Treaty Organization alliance, and the United States should continue to prioritize support for efforts by the Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania to build and invest in critical security areas, as such efforts are important to achieving United States national security objectives, including deterring Russian aggression and bolstering the security of North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies;

(2) robust support to accomplish United States strategic objectives, including by providing assistance to the Baltic countries through security cooperation referred to as the Baltic Security Initiative pursuant to sections 332 and 333 of title 10, United States Code, should be prioritized in the years to come;

(3) Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania play a crucial role in strategic efforts—

(A) to deter the Russian Federation; and

(B) to maintain the collective security of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization alliance;

(4) the United States should continue to pursue efforts consistent with the comprehensive, multilateral assessment of the military requirements of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania provided to Congress in December 2020;

(5) the Baltic security cooperation roadmap has proven to be a successful model to enhance intraregional Baltic planning and cooperation, particularly with respect to longer-term regional capability projects, including—

(A) integrated air defense;

(B) maritime domain awareness;

(C) command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance; and

(D) Special Operations Forces development;

(6) Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania are to be commended for their efforts to pursue joint procurement of select defense capabilities and should explore additional areas for joint collaboration; and

(7) the Department of Defense should—

(A) continue robust, comprehensive investment in Baltic security efforts consistent with the assessment described in paragraph (4);

(B) continue efforts to enhance interoperability among Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania and in support of North Atlantic Treaty Organization efforts;

(C) encourage infrastructure and other host-country support improvements that will enhance United States and allied military mobility across the region;

(D) invest in efforts to improve resilience to hybrid threats and cyber defenses in Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania; and

(E) support planning and budgeting efforts of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania that are regionally synchronized.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I have 11 requests for committees to meet during today’s session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today’s session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry is authorized to

meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a nomination hearing.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans’ Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 3 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 2 p.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EUROPE AND REGIONAL SECURITY COOPERATION

The Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation of the Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND BORDER MANAGEMENT

The Subcommittee on Government Operations and Border Management of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

DAY OF THE DEPLOYED

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate

proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 429, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 429) designating October 26, 2021, as the "Day of the Deployed".

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. BROWN. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 429) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

NATIONAL DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 430, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 430) calling on Congress, schools, and State and local educational agencies to recognize the significant educational implications of dyslexia that must be addressed, and designating October 2021 as "National Dyslexia Awareness Month".

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 430) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2021

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m., Thursday, October 28; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; that upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate proceed

to executive session to resume consideration of the Williams nomination; further, that at 11 a.m., the Senate vote on the confirmation of the Williams, Olsen, and Schroeder nominations, in the order listed; that upon disposition of the Schroeder nomination, the Senate resume consideration of the Dellinger nomination, postcloture; that at 2:30 p.m., the Senate vote on confirmation of the Dellinger and Prelogar nominations prior to votes on the motions to invoke cloture on the Robinson and Heytens nominations, all in the order listed below; further, that if cloture is invoked on the nominations during Thursday's session, all postcloture time expire immediately, the Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations at a time to be determined by the majority leader, in consultation with the Republican leader; finally, if any nominations are confirmed during Thursday's session, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BROWN. For the information of Senators, there will be three rollcall votes starting at 11 a.m., and four rollcall votes at 2:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:41 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, October 28, 2021, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

MARTHA WILLIAMS, OF MONTANA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, VICE AURELIA SKIPWITH.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MICHELE TAYLOR, OF GEORGIA, FOR THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR DURING HER TENURE OF SERVICE AS UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL.

BETH VAN SCHAAK, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR AT LARGE FOR GLOBAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

LAUREL A. BLATCHFORD, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE CONTROLLER, OFFICE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, VICE DAVID ARTHUR MADER.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CINDY K. CHUNG, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE SCOTT W. BRADY, RESIGNED.

GREGORY K. HARRIS, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JOHN C. MILHISER, RESIGNED.

PHILIP R. SELLINGER, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE PAUL JOSEPH FISHMAN, RESIGNED.

GARY M. RESTAINO, OF ARIZONA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE MICHAEL G. BAILEY, RESIGNED.

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED

WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. COLLIN P. GREEN

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 7064:

To be colonel

ROBERT J. ABBOTT
MATTHEW H. ADAMS
LARRY A. BABIN, JR.
RYAN BEERY
CAROL A. BREWER
NAGESH CHELLURI
JEROME P. DUGGAN
MATTHEW S. FITZGERALD
RICHARD E. GORINI
JOHN J. GOWEL
KATHERINE S. GOWEL
NATHAN P. JACOBS
KEIRSTEN H. KENNEDY
ANDREW K. KERNAN
MATTHEW A. KRAUSE
GARY R. LEVY, JR.
JOHN R. MALONEY
DARREN W. POHLMANN
KRISTY L. RADIO
PHYLISHA A. SOUTH
MEGAN WAKEFIELD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS A CHAPLAIN UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 7064:

To be major

TANYA K. BINDERNAGEL

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 7064:

To be major

GRANT T. ALEXIS
PHILIP L. AUBART
MARC C. BEAUDOIN
MORGHAN E. BEAUDOIN
EMILY E. BOBENRIETH
GRASON D. BRUNER
JENNIFER L. BRYER
PATRICK M. CALES
ETHAN S. CHAE
JOAN E. COLLOTON
JESSE L. CORNETT
MARCUS R. DEEL
JONATHAN S. DEMILLE
STEPHEN C. DIMPSEY
MELVIN L. DINSWORTH
TIFFANY M. ESTES
JULIA M. FARINAS
MATTHEW E. FAUST
STEPHEN M. FELLOWS
ANNA P. FEYGINA
GAELAN P. FLANNERY
RACHAEL D. FLANNERY
DRU M. FOSTER
EMMA K. FOWLER
DANIEL FRANCO-SANTIAGO
JACOB J. HALVERSON
DANIELLE N. HAYNES
NATALIA K. HELMSING
ALEXANDER E. HERNANDEZ
SOPHIA L. K. HILDRETH
KYLE F. HOFFMANN
THOMAS F. HOWE
DARRON J. HUBBARD
CHAUNCEY S. HUSTED
BENJAMIN M. JOSLIN
JASON R. JUCH
DAVID A. KAUFMAN
RYAN J. KEETER
JAMES M. KIERNAN
JUSTIN M. KMAN
BENJAMIN J. KOENIGSFELD
IAN M. LAWSON
ROBERT M. LEEDHAM
JAYNE A. LEMON
BRADLEY E. LEWIS
THOMAS C. LEWIS
JOSEPH D. LIBRANDE
JOHN R. LYSTASH
CORY A. MAGGIO
KAREY B. MAREN
AMANDA L. MC MENAMIN
KEVIN S. MILLER
JEFFREY M. MOCK
DUSTIN L. MORGAN
ANDREW E. NIST
NICOLE A. OBERJURGE
DENISE Y. QUINTANA
ZACHARY J. RAY
SOSTEN R. RIVALE
LYNNMARIE RIVERAMARTINEZ
SAMUEL C. RODDY
CHASE C. ROLLS
ALLISON L. ROWLEY
ALEXANDER G. SALLIUM
CHRISTINA L. SCHWENNSSEN
JOSEPH A. SEATON, JR.